

# Future planned synergies between Horizon Europe and Structural funds, RRF and national funds in the period 2021-2027 in Slovenia

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#### Why seeking synergies?

- ► Leverage R&I investments in Europe from all sources
- Maximize quality, quantity, scientific, economic and societal impact
- Open-up opportunities and diversify modalities of interventions
- ► Political, strategic and operational levels are important within different funding possibilities

## Horizon Europe - which areas are important for synergies

- Widening measures (especially EU synergy grants)
- Seal of Excellence measures in different areas (different pillars)
- Partnerships and missions
- Transfer of resources (from ESIF to Horizon Europe) for mono beneficiary measures

#### Recovery and Resilience Fund

- Support to reforms and investments for greater resilience, green and digital transition in line with Country specific recommendations
- Co-financing of mobility and/or reintegration of researchers (outgoing researchers) aligned with MSCA actions (Postdoctoral Fellowships)
  - Positively assessed projects not financed from Horizon Europe (2+1 year)
  - Horizon Europe financed mobility projects: financing of reintegration of researchers (2 years)
  - From 2021 to Q2 2026

#### European cohesion policy 2021-2027

- Complementary funding of infrastructure for Teaming
- MSCA Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND): Seal of excellence or institutional part
- ERC EXIT: new scheme for ERC financed and completed projects
- Upgrading of HPC infrastructure (institutionalized partnership in Horizon Europe)
- Possible transfer in Horizon Europe (for mono beneficiary projects)
- From 2022 till Q4 2029

#### European cohesion policy 2021-2027

- Other areas of intervention:
  - fostering co-operation between RO and economy
  - > enhancing technology transfer offices
  - > research infrastructure
  - co-financing of researchers at the beginning of careers (inter sectoral co-operation)
  - upgrading of applicative research projects from ARRS
  - > open research data repositories etc.
- Depends on financial allocation for both cohesion regions (under negotiation)
- Aligned with program(s) goals and Smart specialization Strategy

### National funds - main complementary measures

- Small grants for application process for Horizon Europe
- Co-financing of mobility and/or reintegration of researchers (<u>incoming</u> researchers) aligned with MSCA actions (IF Seal of excellence)
- ERC complementary scheme for adjusted research projects (positively asessed, but not approved for ERC co-financing)
- ► ERC fellowships for study visits ERC grantees
- National contribution to some co-funded partnerships

Thank you for your attention!